

Alosa aestivalis

Blueback herring

General

- 1. Anadromous fish growing to 40cm
- 2. Superficially similar to Alewife though with smaller eyes

Geography and Habitat

- 1. Native: Atlantic coast from Cape Breton, NS to St. John's River, FL
- 2. Habitats
 - Prefer deep, swift freshwater with hard substrata for spawning

Invasion Pathways

1. Intentionally stocked for forage

Sources

1. http://nas.er.usgs.gov/queries/FactSheet.aspx?SpeciesID=488



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